

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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United States Attorney Deborah Gilg and the Nebraska State Patrol announce the following information for the attention of the media:

## **Event Triggering this Release:**

Today, Joshua Louderback, age 31, was sentenced by the Honorable Richard G. Kopf to 15 years in prison following Louderback's conviction for Receiving Child Pornography. This was Louderback's second offense for receiving and possessing child pornography. In addition to the prison term, Louderback was also ordered to be under supervised release for the rest of his life and pay a \$100 Special Assessment. Further, computer equipment used by Louderback was forfeited to the United States.

In a separate proceeding, Louderback also admitted to a violation of the earlier terms of supervised release imposed by the Court as a result of Louderback's conviction in 2006 for possessing child pornography. As a result of these violations, the Court sentenced Louderback to a 24 month prison term, to be served consecutive to the 15 year prison term.

Louderback was under the supervision of the United States Probation Office and during the period of supervision, Louderback was found to have images of minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct on computers owned by him. The Nebraska State Patrol was contacted and completed an examination of Louderback's computer equipment. Numerous images of child pornography were found on the computer equipment.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by United States Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section (CEOS), Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.projectsafechildhood.gov.

Name of Defendant: Joshua Louderback

AKA:

**Age: 31** 

City of residence: Lincoln, Nebraska

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Receipt of Child Pornography, Second Offense, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2252A(a)(2). Penalties are imprisonment of not less than 15 years and not more than 40 years, fine of \$250,000 or both, supervised release of not less than 5 years and not more than life, and a \$100 Special Assessment.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Lincoln, Nebraska

**Location of Arrest**: Lincoln, Nebraska

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug:

Others Charged in Same Scheme:

## **Relevant Dates:**

**Date of Alleged Crime**: From at least on or about December 4, 2009, to on or about April 23, 2010.

Federal Arrest Date: April 23, 2010 (State Custody)
July 30, 2010 (Federal Custody)

**Date Complaint Issued:** 

**Indictment Returned Date**: July 20, 2010

**Initial Appearance Date**: July 27, 2010

Plea or Trial and Date(s): December 8, 2010

Sentencing Date: March 1, 2011

**Next Court Hearing Type and Date:** 

Assigned Magistrate Judge: Zwart

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: Held without bond

In Continuous Custody Since: April 23, 2010

Assigned District Court Judge: Kopf

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